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**Remarks**

Entry of the above amendments, reconsideration of the application, and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested. Claims 1, 3-14 and 16-19 remain pending.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the allowance of claims 14 and 16-19, and the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 2-13.

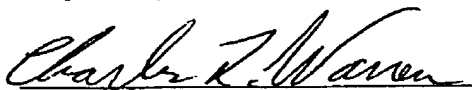
Claim Rejection - 35 U.S.C. §112:

Claim 1 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, with regard of the meaning of the word "complete" which was added by amendment. This objection is overcome since this word is now canceled from claim 1.

The subject matter of claim 2 has been incorporated into claim 1, and claim 2 canceled. Therefore, claim 1 is equivalent to original claim 2 written in independent format with no changes relating to patentability having been made. Since claim 2 was indicated as directed to allowable subject matter, claim 1 and depending claims are now in condition for allowance.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, allowance of all claims pending is respectfully requested. If a telephone conference would be of assistance in advancing the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call applicants' attorney.

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